Good evening,

I am writing to you as a concerned resident and asking you to please vote No on HB 5263. It should be noted that rabbits are the third most common household pet after dogs and cats. Whole Foods and other specialty stores stopped selling rabbit meat after concluding there was no market for sales. In addition, thee multi-billion-dollar cosmetic industry has been moving away from using rabbits and other animals in their testing programs due to consumer pressure. While the rest of the country has recognized and elevated rabbits as pets, CT is taking a step backward in proposing this initiative.

Thank you for your time,

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